

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 SB2664

Introduced 1/21/2014, by Sen. Michael E. Hastings

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

765 ILCS 605/9 765 ILCS 605/22.1 from Ch. 30, par. 309 from Ch. 30, par. 322.1

Amends the Condominium Property Act. Provides that the purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, or a purchaser of a condominium unit from a mortgagee who acquired title through a judicial foreclosure, a consent foreclosure, a common law strict foreclosure, or the delivery of a deed in lieu of foreclosure (instead of the purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee) shall have the duty to pay to the association an amount not to exceed the total of the regular monthly assessments for the condominium unit for the 9-month period immediately preceding the relevant event. Provides that the amount due may include any attorney's fees and court costs, but may not exceed 9 months of regular assessments due over the same 9-month period. Deletes language providing that the purchaser shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration for the 6 months immediately preceding the institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid. Deletes language providing that if the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during an action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title. Provides that the notice of a foreclosure sale of a condominium unit shall state that a purchaser, other than a mortgagee, shall pay to the association any unpaid monthly assessments for the 9-month period preceding the sale, including attorney's fees and court costs. Provides that each notice of a judicial sale a condominium unit and each disclosure statement issued to a prospective purchaser shall list the required fees. Provides that in certain situations, the Board of Managers (instead of the owner) of a condominium unit must make specified information available within 14 days of the request (instead of "upon demand") and may do so either electronically or in writing. Makes corresponding changes. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning civil law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Condominium Property Act is amended by changing Sections 9 and 22.1 as follows:
- 6 (765 ILCS 605/9) (from Ch. 30, par. 309)
- 7 Sec. 9. Sharing of expenses Lien for nonpayment.
 - (a) All common expenses incurred or accrued prior to the first conveyance of a unit shall be paid by the developer, and during this period no common expense assessment shall be payable to the association. It shall be the duty of each unit owner including the developer to pay his proportionate share of the common expenses commencing with the first conveyance. The proportionate share shall be in the same ratio as his percentage of ownership in the common elements set forth in the declaration.
 - (b) The condominium instruments may provide that common expenses for insurance premiums be assessed on a basis reflecting increased charges for coverage on certain units.
 - (c) Budget and reserves.
- 21 (1) The board of managers shall prepare and distribute 22 to all unit owners a detailed proposed annual budget, 23 setting forth with particularity all anticipated common

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expenses by category as well as all anticipated assessments and other income. The initial budget and common expense assessment based thereon shall be adopted prior to the conveyance of any unit. The budget shall also set forth each unit owner's proposed common expense assessment.

- (2) All budgets adopted by a board of managers on or after July 1, 1990 shall provide for reasonable reserves for capital expenditures and deferred maintenance for repair or replacement of the common elements. To determine the amount of reserves appropriate for an association, the board of managers shall take into consideration the following: (i) the repair and replacement cost, and the life, of estimated useful the property which association is obligated to maintain, including but not limited to structural and mechanical components, surfaces of the buildings and common elements, and energy systems and equipment; (ii) the current and anticipated return on investment of association funds; (iii) any independent professional reserve study which the association may obtain; (iv) the financial impact on unit owners, and the market value of the condominium units, of any assessment increase needed to fund reserves; and (v) the ability of the association to obtain financing or refinancing.
- (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection (c), an association without a reserve requirement in its condominium instruments may elect to waive in whole or in

part the reserve requirements of this Section by a vote of 2/3 of the total votes of the association. Any association having elected under this paragraph (3) to waive the provisions of subsection (c) may by a vote of 2/3 of the total votes of the association elect to again be governed by the requirements of subsection (c).

- (4) In the event that an association elects to waive all or part of the reserve requirements of this Section, that fact must be disclosed after the meeting at which the waiver occurs by the association in the financial statements of the association and, highlighted in bold print, in the response to any request of a prospective purchaser for the information prescribed under Section 22.1; and no member of the board of managers or the managing agent of the association shall be liable, and no cause of action may be brought for damages against these parties, for the lack or inadequacy of reserve funds in the association budget.
- (d) (Blank).
 - (e) The condominium instruments may provide for the assessment, in connection with expenditures for the limited common elements, of only those units to which the limited common elements are assigned.
- 24 (f) Payment of any assessment shall be in amounts and at 25 times determined by the board of managers.
- 26 (g) Lien.

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- (1) If any unit owner shall fail or refuse to make any payment of the common expenses or the amount of any unpaid fine when due, the amount thereof together with any interest, late charges, reasonable attorney fees incurred enforcing the covenants of the condominium instruments, rules and regulations of the board of managers, or any applicable statute or ordinance, and costs of collections shall constitute a lien on the interest of the unit owner in the property prior to all other liens and encumbrances, recorded or unrecorded, except only (a) taxes, special assessments and special taxes theretofore or thereafter political levied by any subdivision municipal or corporation of this State and other State or federal taxes which by law are a lien on the interest of the unit owner prior to preexisting recorded encumbrances thereon and (b) encumbrances on the interest of the unit owner recorded prior to the date of such failure or refusal which by law would be a lien thereon prior to subsequently recorded encumbrances. Any action brought to extinguish the lien of the association shall include the association as a party.
 - (2) With respect to encumbrances executed prior to August 30, 1984 or encumbrances executed subsequent to August 30, 1984 which are neither bonafide first mortgages nor trust deeds and which encumbrances contain a statement of a mailing address in the State of Illinois where notice may be mailed to the encumbrancer thereunder, if and

whenever and as often as the manager or board of managers shall send, by United States certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, to any such encumbrancer at the mailing address set forth in the recorded encumbrance a statement of the amounts and due dates of the unpaid common expenses with respect to the encumbered unit, then, unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, the prior recorded encumbrance shall be subject to the lien of all unpaid common expenses with respect to the unit which become due and payable within a period of 90 days after the date of mailing of each such notice.

(3) The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, or a mortgagee who receives title to a unit by deed in lieu of foreclosure or judgment by common law strict foreclosure or otherwise takes possession pursuant to court order under the Illinois Mortgage Foreclosure Law, shall have the duty to pay the unit's proportionate share of the common expenses for the unit assessed from and after the first day of the month after the date of the judicial foreclosure sale, delivery of the deed in lieu of foreclosure, entry of a judgment in common law strict foreclosure, or taking of possession pursuant to such court order. Such payment confirms the extinguishment of any lien created pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection (g) by virtue of the failure or refusal of a prior unit owner to make payment of common expenses,

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where the judicial foreclosure sale has been confirmed by order of the court, a deed in lieu thereof has been accepted by the lender, or a consent judgment has been entered by the court.

(4) The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, or a purchaser of a condominium unit from a mortgagee who acquired title through a judicial foreclosure, a consent foreclosure, a common law strict foreclosure, or the delivery of a deed in lieu of foreclosure who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay to the association an amount not to exceed the total of the regular monthly assessments for the condominium unit for the 9-month period immediately preceding any of these events. The amount due may include any attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the association during this same 9-month period caused by the nonpayment of these assessments along with unpaid regular monthly assessments for the same period. However, the total amount may not exceed 9 months of regular assessments due over the same 9-month period the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become the absence of any assessment acceleration during the months immediately preceding institution of an action enforce the collection of assessments, and which

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unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title.

- (5) The notice of sale of a condominium unit under subsection (c) of Section 15-1507 of the Code of Civil Procedure shall state that the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgagee shall pay to the association amounts the assessments and the legal fees required by subdivision subdivisions (g) (1) and (g) (4) of Section 9 of this Act. of assessment account issued by the The statement association to a unit owner under subsection (i) of Section 18 of this Act, and the disclosure statement issued to a prospective purchaser under Section 22.1 of this Act, shall state the amount of the assessments and the legal fees, if any, required by subdivision subdivisions (q)(4) of Section 9 of this Act.
- (h) A lien for common expenses shall be in favor of the members of the board of managers and their successors in office and shall be for the benefit of all other unit owners. Notice of the lien may be recorded by the board of managers, or if the developer is the manager or has a majority of seats on the board of managers and the manager or board of managers fails to do so, any unit owner may record notice of the lien. Upon the

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- recording of such notice the lien may be foreclosed by an action brought in the name of the board of managers in the same manner as a mortgage of real property.
 - (i) Unless otherwise provided in the declaration, the members of the board of managers and their successors in office, acting on behalf of the other unit owners, shall have the power to bid on the interest so foreclosed at the foreclosure sale, and to acquire and hold, lease, mortgage and convey it.
- 10 (j) Any encumbrancer may from time to time request in 11 writing a written statement from the manager or board of 12 managers setting forth the unpaid common expenses with respect 13 to the unit covered by his encumbrance. Unless the request is 14 complied with within 20 days, all unpaid common expenses which 15 become due prior to the date of the making of such request 16 shall be subordinate to the lien of the encumbrance. Any 17 encumbrancer holding a lien on a unit may pay any unpaid common expenses payable with respect to the unit, and upon payment the 18 encumbrancer shall have a lien on the unit for the amounts paid 19 20 at the same rank as the lien of his encumbrance.
- 21 (k) Nothing in Public Act 83-1271 is intended to change the 22 lien priorities of any encumbrance created prior to August 30, 23 1984.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 94-1049, eff. 1-1-07.)
- 25 (765 ILCS 605/22.1) (from Ch. 30, par. 322.1)

- Sec. 22.1. (a) In the event of any resale of a condominium unit by a unit owner other than the developer, the Board of Managers shall, within 14 days of a request from the owner or owner's agent, produce for the seller and the prospective purchaser either electronically or in writing: such owner shall obtain from the Board of Managers and shall make available for inspection to the prospective purchaser, upon demand, the following:
 - (1) A copy of the Declaration, by-laws, other condominium instruments and any rules and regulations.
 - (2) A statement of any liens, including a statement of the account of the unit setting forth the amounts of unpaid assessments and other charges due and owing as authorized and limited by the provisions of Section 9 of this Act or the condominium instruments.
 - (3) A statement of any capital expenditures anticipated by the unit owner's association within the current or succeeding two fiscal years.
 - (4) A statement of the status and amount of any reserve for replacement fund and any portion of such fund earmarked for any specified project by the Board of Managers.
 - (5) A copy of the statement of financial condition of the unit owner's association for the last fiscal year for which such statement is available.
 - (6) A statement of the status of any pending suits or judgments in which the unit owner's association is a party.

- (7) A statement setting forth what insurance coverage is provided for all unit owners by the unit owner's association.
 - (8) A statement that any improvements or alterations made to the unit, or the limited common elements assigned thereto, by the prior unit owner are in good faith believed to be in compliance with the condominium instruments.
 - (9) The identity and mailing address of the principal officer of the unit owner's association or of the other officer or agent as is specifically designated to receive notices.
 - (10) If ownership of the condominium unit was transferred by either a judicial foreclosure sale, a consent foreclosure, a common law strict foreclosure, or a deed in lieu of foreclosure, a statement setting forth the total due and owing under subsection (g) of Section 9 of this Act.
 - (b) The principal officer of the unit owner's association or such other officer as is specifically designated shall furnish the above information when requested to do so either electronically or in writing and within $\underline{14}$ $\underline{30}$ days of the request.
 - (c) Within 15 days of the recording of a mortgage or trust deed against a unit ownership given by the owner of that unit to secure a debt, the owner shall inform the Board of Managers of the unit owner's association of the identity of the lender

- 1 together with a mailing address at which the lender can receive
- 2 notices from the association. If a unit owner fails or refuses
- 3 to inform the Board as required under subsection (c) then that
- 4 unit owner shall be liable to the association for all costs,
- 5 expenses and reasonable attorneys fees and such other damages,
- if any, incurred by the association as a result of such failure
- 7 or refusal.
- 8 A reasonable fee covering the direct out-of-pocket cost of
- 9 providing such information and copying may be charged by the
- 10 association or its Board of Managers to the unit seller for
- 11 providing such information.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 87-692.)
- 13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 14 becoming law.